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SUBJ: FRENCH POSITION ON MTN

1. AS REQUESTED BY AMBASSADOR STRAUSS, WE HAVE CONVEYED INFORMAL MESSAGES ON HIS BEHALF TO GISCARD D'ESTAING AND BARRE EXPRESSING U.S. APPRECIATION FOR THE FACT THAT -- DESPITE CURRENT POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES -- FRANCE ADOPTED A POSITION IN THE EC COUNCIL WHICH PERMITTED THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS TO PROCEED ON SCHEDULE.

2. AT THE ELYSEE WE GAVE THE MESSAGE TO DUTET, GISCARD'S ECONOMIC STAFF OFFICER, ON MONDAY MORNING. DUTET TOOK CAREFUL NOTE OF OUR COMMENT, EXPRESSED APPRECIATION, AND SAID THAT GISCARD WOULD BE INFORMED

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PROMPTLY. BARRE HAS STILL NOT RETURNED FROM HIS TRIP TO CHINA. HOWEVER, WE GAVE THE MESSAGE TO DE BONNE-CORSE OF HIS STAFF WHO ASSURED US THAT BARRE WOULD GET IT SHORTLY.

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